

## REMARKS

Claims 1 – 12 are pending. In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1, 3 – 7, 11 and 12 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Aikens ('113). Claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aikens in view of Long ('282). Claims 8 – 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) in view of Official Notice.

By this Paper, Applicant added a new Claim 13 for consideration. For the reasons set forth below, the present Application is believed to be in proper form for allowance. Reconsideration allowance and passage to issue are respectfully requested.

Claim 1 currently reads as follows:

1. A system for remotely providing cost accounting with respect to the usage of a machine, said system comprising:
  - memory means for providing an accounting database;
  - controller means for processing information stored by and retrieved from said database;
  - network means for coupling said machine to said database via said controller; and
  - interface means coupled to said database via said network for effecting communication therewith, **said interface means including an embedded web server** for transmitting and receiving said information to and from said database. (Emphasis added.)

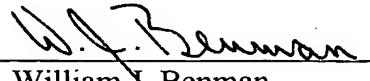
Indeed, all of the claims include a limitation directed to the inclusion of an embedded web server.

In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner suggested that Aiken teaches the use of an embedded web server and points to element 14 for support. However, element 14 is simply referred to as a “server”. (See col. 2, lines 21 – 33.)

Further, no teaching is provided in the reference with respect to a system for remotely providing cost accounting with respect to the usage of a client machine having an interface with an embedded web server as set forth in Claim 11.

Hence, the rejections of Claims 1 – 12 are not supported by the teachings of the reference. Reconsideration, allowance and passage to issue are therefore respectfully requested.

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